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WE'RE DONE HERE, SAMMY!
DUCK-COM SERVICES

PERFECT, DONALD. LOOKS LIKE OUR WORK FOR TODAY ENDS HERE!
GNEK

WE'VE DELIVERED ALMOST FIVE TONS OF NEW TELEPHONE BOOKS...
DUCK-COM SERVICES

... AND WE'VE RETRIEVED THE OLD ONES, READY TO BE RECYCLED!

ARE YOU SURE YOU DON'T WANT ME TO COME WITH YOU TO DROP THEM OFF?

SURE AS EGGS! I'M PASSING BY YOUR HOUSE ANYWAYS, SO YOU CAN GET OFF AND TAKE IT EASY!

YOU'RE A TRUE FRIEND, SAMMY! THANKS!

SEE YOU TOMORROW, BUD!

OH NO! I LEFT THE HOUSE KEYS IN MY SPARE COSTUME!

PAT PAT PAT PAT PAT PAT PAT PAT PAT

"THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU HAVE ***TWO*** JOBS, EVEN IF ONE OF THEM IS JUST A SMALL SEASONABLE JOB..."

"BEING A ***GUARDIAN OF THE GALAXY***, HOWEVER, IS A FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT!"

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SPIDER PAPER

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DINGY

O-ONE?

VVVVVVVVVVVVVVV

I AM HERE, DONALD.

I HAVE GOTTEN MYSELF INTO ***TROUBLE***, PARTNER.

OFF

OFF

OFF

QUACK! YOU'VE TURNED OFF THE MAINFRAME! HAVE YOU LOST YOUR CIRCUITS?! IF THE GUARDIANS WERE TO FIND OUT...

THAT IS PRECISELY THE PROBLEM...

THEY MUST NOT KNOW!

I AM SHUTTING DOWN EVERY NONESSENTIAL SYSTEM IN ORDER TO DEFEND MYSELF...

SYSTEM ALERT

... FROM A TERRIBLE VIRUS!

WHAAAT?! HOW WERE YOU INFECTED?

REMEMBER WHEN WE....

... CONSULTED THE DATABASE...

... ON THE MOST WANTED...

... IN THE GALAXY?

YOU MEAN WHEN WE LOOKED FOR INFORMATION ON ***KLA'MOR THE PARASITE?***

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EXACTLY. THERE WERE OTHER PARASITES IN THAT ARCHIVE...

... AND ONE OF THEM ***ESCAPED*** INTO MY SYSTEM!

YOU'RE SAYING THAT THE GUARDIANS KEPT THIS ***COMPUTER VIRUS*** IMPRISONED IN THEIR DATABASE?

WOOSH

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SESAMO AVENUE

TOY

YES, IN AN ENCRYPTED SECTION WHICH I UNFORTUNATELY OPENED WITHOUT TOO MANY PRECAUTIONS.

HOW MUCH TIME DO YOU NEED TO DECIPHER THE VIRUS' ALGORITHM AND ISOLATE IT?

AT LEAST TWENTY-FOUR HOURS, BUT THE VIRUS WILL HAVE OVERWRITTEN MY ENTIRE MEMORY IN ***LESS THAN TWELVE!***

MAYBE I CAN PREVENT IT, PARTNER!

CARE TO TELL ME WHAT YOU HAVE IN MIND?

SORRY. IF I PUT THIS IDEA INSIDE YOUR MEMORY, THE VIRUS COULD FIND A WAY TO ***NEUTRALIZE IT...***

CENTURY

CENTURY

WOOOOSHHH

1. ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE GALAXY

"YOU'LL HAVE TO TRUST ME!"

THERE, NOW IT SHOULD RECEIVE THE ***INTER-PLANETARY SIGNAL.***

DUCK AVENGER! TO WHAT DO I OWE THE PLEASURE?

EHEM... HELLO, VOLKIN. I NEED ***TECHNICAL ADVICE.***

IN ORDER TO TRANSFER A GREAT QUANTITY OF COMPUTER MEMORY, WHAT METHOD WOULD YOU USE?

HMM... IF TERRESTRIAL HARD DRIVES ARE NOT SUFFICIENT, YOU WOULD NEED ***STABLE DENSILI-CATES!***

BUT YOU CAN ONLY FIND THEM AT ***KHEREM IV...*** THAT'S NOT EXACTLY AROUND THE CORNER!

I'M SENDING THE MAP TO YOUR X-TRANS-FORMER! KHEREM IV IS A SATELLITE OF THE UNINHABITABLE PLANET ***DURLION.***

WE'LL USE ***TELEPORTATION.*** DO YOU HAVE THE COORDINATES?

THE KHEREMITAN EMPIRE USES IT AS A ***MINING COLONY.*** IT'S THE ONLY PLACE WHERE YOU'LL FIND THE SILICATES YOU NEED!

DOWNLOAD COMPLETE.

THERE'S NO TIME TO WASTE. HAVE YOU ENTERED THE COORDINATES, LYO?

MATTER TRANSFER COIL CHARGED. GREEN LIGHT IN FOUR, THREE...

"... TWO, ONE..."

ZAP

GLOM! THE THINGS YOU DO FOR A FRIEND!

I C-C-CAN'T WAIT TO G-G-G-GET THERE!

GASP! NEVER MIND THAT!

WATCH OUT!

HEY! WHAT MANNERS!

YOU CAN'T EXPECT MERCY FROM THE *KHEREMITAN SECRET POLICE*, STRANGER!

RIGHT! LET'S NOT STAY HERE WAITING TO GET SHOT!

ZAP

ZAP

ZAP

WOULD ANYONE LIKE TO EXPLAIN TO ME WHAT'S GOING ON?

WHAT'S GOING ON? IT'S A ***STRIKE!*** WHAT PLANET ARE YOU FROM?

IT'S A LONG STORY... AND RIGHT NOW IT'S ***LESS URGENT*** THAN YOURS!

THE NAME'S DERMONN. I'M A MINER LIKE EVERYONE ELSE ON KHEREM IV...

"WE'RE THIRD-GENERATION COLONISTS, ORIGINATING FROM PLANET KHEREM."

"TO THE EMPEROR WE DON'T EVEN EXIST. WE DON'T HAVE ***RIGHT TO VOTE...***"

"... AND REGENT KHORLUM, WHO GOVERNS US, CONTROLS AS MUCH AS ***FOOD DISTRIBUTION.***"

"A MONTH AGO WE STARTED THE STRIKE BY HALTING ALL MINING OF SILICATES, HOPING THAT THE EMPIRE WOULD HEAR OUR DEMANDS..."

BUT, AS YOU CAN SEE, WE HAVEN'T MANAGED TO OBTAIN MUCH!

THIS REGENT SURE IS A PLEASANT GUY!

MAYBE I SHOULD GO HAVE A LITTLE TALK WITH HIM!

YOU'RE LEAVING WITHOUT AN ESCORT, SIR?

YES, JAEVHEES! I MUST URGENTLY RETURN TO KHEREM, BUT I WILL BE BACK IN TWO CYCLES.

LOAD THE BAGGAGE ON THE MASTER SHUTTLE!

AT ONCE, YOUR EXCELLENCY.

I HAVE TO HURRY!

REGENT KHORLUM, I HOPE THAT YOUR PLAN IS PROCEEDING AS EXPECTED!

YES, YOUR MAJESTY. WHEN THE REVOLTING MINERS REACH MY PALACE, I WILL ALREADY BE TRAVELING TO KHEREM...

YOU CAN THEN DECLARE ***MARTIAL LAW*** AND TAKE BACK CONTROL OF THE COLONY.

I SHOULDN'T HAVE TO, KHORLUM. THIS MEASURE IS ONLY NECESSARY BECAUSE ***YOU*** WERE UNABLE TO RUN KHERIM IV!

HMPF!

NOW I HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE THAN TO ENSLAVE THE ***MINERS*** WITH THE EXCUSE OF HAVING QUELLED THE REVOLT!

"THE CONSEQUENCES WILL BE TERRIBLE AND YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE!"

COME WITH ME, QUICK!

TAKE SHELTER IN THE HANGAR! MORE POLICEMEN ARE COMING!

HOW MANY ARE THERE?

HUNDREDS! THEY LANDED A FEW DAYS AGO TO PROTECT THE REGENT.

IT'S SAID THAT HE WANTS TO LEAVE THE PLANET AND DECLARE MARTIAL LAW!

THEN THE EMPEROR WILL SEND THE ARMY TO TURN US INTO SLAVES!

THEY'VE THOUGHT OF EVERYTHING, EXCEPT THE UNEXPECTED... ***YOURS TRULY!***

DERMONN, TRY TO RESIST! I'LL BE BACK IN A FLASH!

AND NOW, IT'S JUST *YOU AND ME!*

I INSIST, JAEVHEES. TAKE CARE OF THE PALACE IN MY ABSENCE!

CERTAINLY, SIR.

WHY DON'T YOU STAY TO GIVE HIM A HAND?

I AM THE DUCK AVENGER. I AM A *GUARDIAN OF THE GALAXY...*

W-WHO ARE YOU?

... AND YOU'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE!

ZAAP

ZAAAP

AAAH!

HELP... AAAH!

GET UP! THERE'S SOMETHING YOU NEED TO SEE.

I BET YOU DON'T SEE SCENES LIKE THIS FROM YOUR NICE PALACE, EH?

TO ALL POLICEMEN! ***STOP!***

AVENGER?!

YOUR ORDERS ARE NULLIFIED!

AAAH!

IN THE NAME OF THE GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY, I DECLARE KHEREM IV AN ***INDEPENDENT PROVIDENCE!***

YOU CAN'T DO THAT! YOU HAVE NO AUTHORITY TO...

IT WILL IN FACT NOT BE FOR ME TO DECIDE. FROM NOW ON THE ***CITIZENS*** OF THIS COLONY WILL RUN THEIR LIVES!

THE COUNCIL OF GUARDIANS WILL SOON TAKE IT UP WITH YOUR EMPEROR!

MY FRIEND, TODAY YOU HAVE CHANGED ***OUR FUTURE!***

NO, DERMONN, ***YOU*** WILL BE THE ONES TO CHANGE IT! I HAVE ONLY DONE MY JOB.

IT'S MUCH MORE THAN THE REGENT EVER DID FOR US. HOW CAN WE EVER THANK YOU?

YOU KNOW... I WAS ***HOPING*** YOU WOULD ASK ME THAT!

2. SECRET MISSION

"LYO DID WELL TO CALL ME. THE AVENGER CAN'T DO EVERYTHING ON HIS OWN THIS TIME."

ROBOLAB

"I DON'T KNOW IF I DRESSED UP TO MISLEAD ROBOLAB'S SECURITY CAMERAS..."

"... OR OUT OF FEAR OF BEING DISCOVERED WHILE PRETENDING TO DO A STORY FOR OO-CHANNEL.COM!"

GO AHEAD, ***MISS BRUNSWICK.*** DOCTOR MANAPUL IS EXPECTING YOU!

MISS BRUNSWICK! WHAT A PLEASURE TO MEET YOU! I'M READY FOR THE ***INTERVIEW!***

THE STUDY OF CYBERNETIC LIMBS IS A RELATIVELY NEW FIELD...

BLAH BLAH BLAH... AS DEMONSTRATED BY PINKENWOOD'S STUDIES OF TORSION...

BLAH BLAH BLAH... BUT... AM I ***BORING YOU?***

NOOO! THOUGH... I HAVE TO GO GET A NEW MEMORY STICK!

OH, I SEE!

I'LL BE WAITING HERE.

I ONLY NEED AN ACCESS POINT TO THE CENTRAL COMPUTER...

"THERE IT IS!"

THE PROBE WITH ***WIRE-LESS TRANSMITTER*** WILL GIVE ME THE DATA I NEED!

SUNF!

PERFECT!

HERE I AM!

WELCOME BACK! WHERE DID WE LEAVE OFF? OH YES...

THE CENTRONIC DEMULTIPLIER...

JUST KEEP TALKING...

"IN THE MEANTIME I'LL STUDY THE BUILDING'S ***PLANIMETRY!***"

"FOUND IT!"

BLAH BLAH BLAH... AND THAT'S WHY I WAS GIVEN THE ***GEEKENSTEIN AWARD!***

PERFECT, DOCTOR! THIS HAS BEEN A GREAT INTERVIEW! THANK YOU!

A HUMAN CAPABLE OF ***BORING*** AN ANDROID... YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE IT!

THE METALLURGICAL LABORATORY IS IN THE WEST WING.

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OOOPS!

LOCKER ROOM

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LEVEL 4

MISS Q!

YES?

I MUST INFORM YOU THAT THE JOURNALIST WHO CAME TO INTERVIEW DOCTOR MANAPUL...

RL

"... HAS NOT YET LEFT THE BUILDING, EVEN THOUGH THE INTERVIEW ***ENDED*** AN HOUR AGO!"

MOLTEN METAL... HOW DO I TAKE IT WITH ME?

SECURITY? HAVE A TEAM READY IN THE LOBBY. I WILL PERSONALLY LEAD IT.

AS YOU COMMAND!

THERE'S AN UNREGISTERED PRESENCE AT THE FORTY-SEVENTH FLOOR!

LET'S GO! BE READY!

RL

RL

WELL, I HOPE LYO KNOWS HOW TO DISSOLVE THIS STUFF...

BOOM

... WITHOUT ***MELTING*** MY HAND!

FSSS

THIRD DOOR TO THE LEFT! ***MOVE IT!***

RL

THE METAL HAS SOLIDIFIED. I'VE REMAINED HERE ***TOO LONG!***

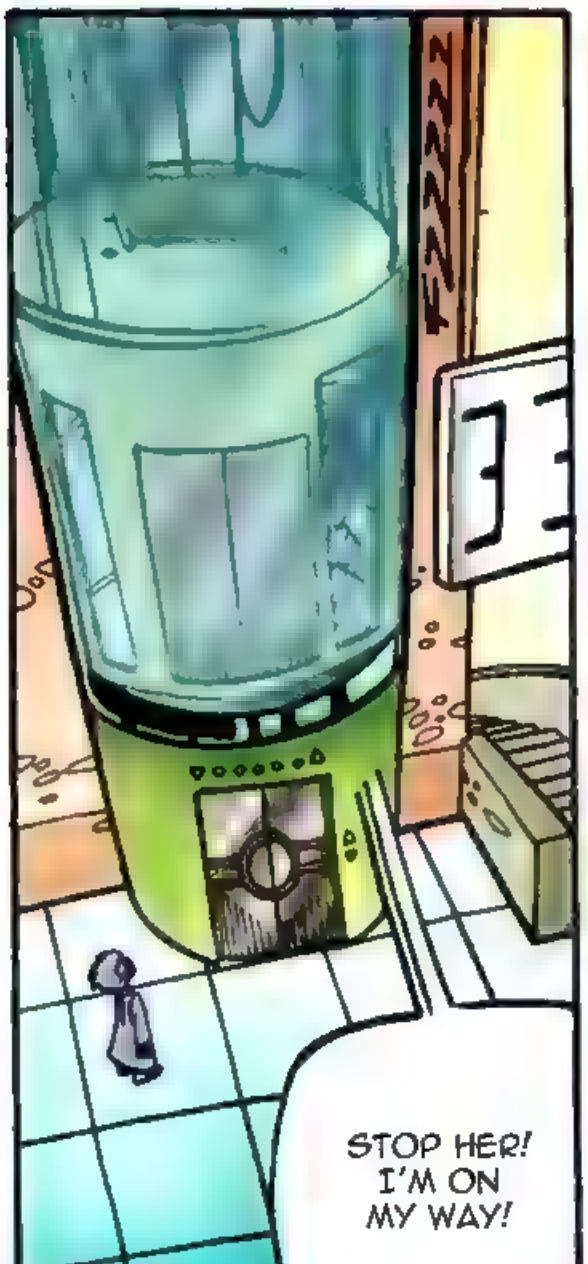
THERE SHE IS!

SLAM!

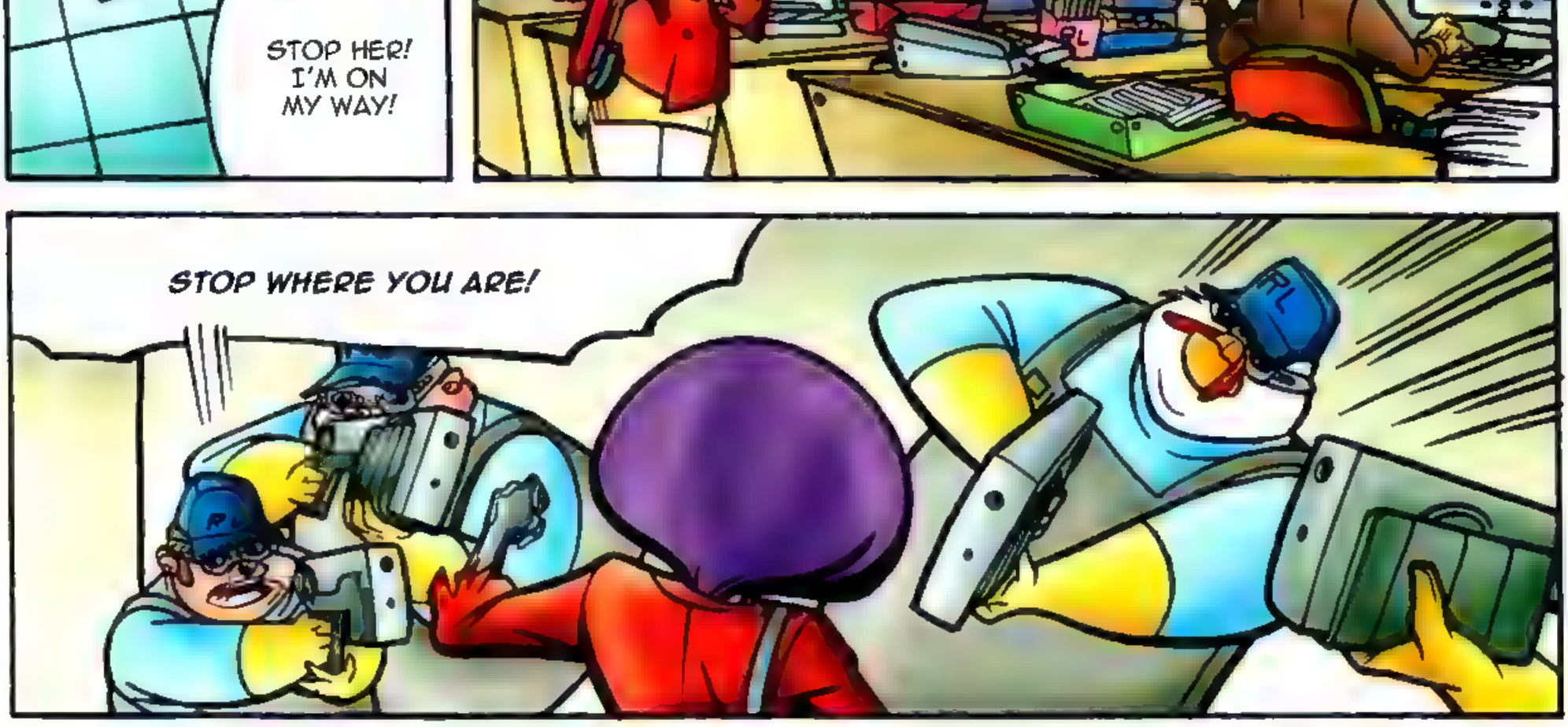
SHE'S GOING DOWN THE STAIRS!

I JUST HAVE TO GET A BIT FURTHER DOWN...

THE DOOR TO THE THIRTIETH IS OPEN! SHE'S IN THE OFFICES!


STOP HER! I'M ON MY WAY!

ALRIGHT, LOOKS LIKE I'VE SHOOK THEM OFF.


STOP WHERE YOU ARE!

HEY! GET BACK HERE!

SURPRISE!

WHOOOM!!!

I DIDN'T WANT TO DO THIS IN FRONT OF EVERYONE...

UNNNG!

... BUT I HAVE NO CHOICE!

CRASH!

THOOOM!

THAT WAS A CLOSE ONE!

YIP?

"THE AVENGER IS ABOUT TO RETURN TO CENTURY..."

"I HAVE TO BRING THE *METALLOID* TO LYO..."

SURRENDER, *AMOEBOID!*

HANG ON, *DESTROYER DUCK!*

LEAVE HIM TO ME!

AN ELECTRIFYING EXPERIENCE, ISN'T IT, AMOEBOID?

AAARGH! NO FAIIIR!

"OLD MEMORIES ARE COMING BACK TO ME..."

"I HAVEN'T GONE DOWN INTO THESE STORAGES FOR *YEARS.*"

"THAT'S WHY I'M SURE THAT WHAT I'M LOOKING FOR IS STILL HERE!"

"IT SEEMS DIFFICULT TO BELIEVE..."

"... BUT MY ENTIRE *PAST* IS IN THESE CRATES."

"I HOPE THE OTHERS ***RETURN*** SOON, OR IT WILL HAVE BEEN ALL FOR NOTHING."

"THE CRATE IS NAILED SHUT, BUT IT'S NO PROBLEM FOR SOMEONE WITH A ***BIO-MECHANICAL BODY!***"

"A LIFE OF NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS... I'M NOT READY TO RELIVE IT! BESIDES, THAT'S NOT WHY I'M HERE."

"I AM A SENTIMENTALIST WHO HAS KEPT TOO MANY THINGS. GOING THROUGH EVERYTHING WOULD TAKE FOREVER."

THERE WE GO! ***SUPER-ELECTRON'S HELMET*** MUST BE HERE!

HUFF! JUST LIKE ***HE*** WOULD HAVE SAID... "THIS IS A JOB FOR... ***DESTROYER DUCK!"***

SLAM

AH! I KNEW I HADN'T THROWN IT AWAY!

CREAK

PRIMARY PROTOCOL...

... ANNIHILATE DESTROYER DUCK!

WHAT'S GOING ON, DESTROYER DUCK?

THAT'S ***STEAMVOLVER***, DESTROYER KID! HE CAN LEARN AND ANTICIPATE MY MOVES, MAKING HIM INVINCIBLE!

SO WE HAVE TO ***DISABLE HIM*** WITH AS FEW MOVES AS POSSIBLE!

HEY! I'M NOT DESTROYER DUCK! I WAS HIS HELPER, BUT...

BASH

GLAB! HIS SENSORS ARE DAMAGED! HE THINKS THAT I AM HIS ENEMY!

PRIMARY PROTOCOL...

SCRASH

GASP! HE'S BECOMING FASTER AND FASTER!

... ANNIHILATE DESTROYER DUCK!

RUMBLE

SOON HE'LL ANTICIPATE MY MOVES!

GREAT SINUSOIDAL COILS!

PRIMARY PROTOCOL...

SKRUNCH

VRRRRRRR

...ANNIHILATE DESTROYER DUCK!

VRRRRR

IT'S OVER! HE GOT ME!

HE'S STUDIED ALL MY... *HEY!*

NEW PARAMETER! NEW PARAMETER!

THERE'S ACTUALLY ***ONE THING*** YOU DON'T KNOW ABOUT ME!

YOU'RE A FOOL IF YOU THINK I'LL GIVE YOU TIME TO THINK ABOUT IT, STEAMVOLVER!

NEW PARA-METER!

COME ON! COME AND SEE WHAT ***MODERN DROIDS*** CAN DO!

URGH! IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY, THAT IS A ***LOAD-BEARING WALL...***

... BUT *THIS* ISN'T!

FALLING DEBRIS! NEW PARAMETER!

YEAH! LET'S SEE HOW YOU DEAL WITH THAT, *TINHEAD!*

CRUMBLE

AND TO THINK THAT *THING* WAS STILL ACTIVE ALL THIS TIME WITHOUT ME KNOWING...

WE LET STEAMVOLVER *ESCAPE*, DESTROYER DUCK!

BUT THE CITY IS SAVED! SOMETIMES A DRAW COUNTS AS A VICTORY.

AND THE ENEMIES TO US SUPERHEROES ALWAYS RETURN.

HE WAS RIGHT, AS HE ALWAYS WAS.

EVERYTHING GOOD, LYO?

HELLO, HERO!

WHAT WAS THAT NOISE IN THE BASEMENT?

OH, NOTHING. I WAS JUST... ***BESET*** BY MEMORIES.

HERE ARE THE ***STABLE DENSILICATES***, COURTESY OF THE PEOPLE OF KHEREM IV!

VERY GOOD! ALL WE'RE MISSING NOW IS...

... A BIT OF ***TEMPRONIUM*** DIRECTLY FROM ROBOLAB, MAYBE?

BRINGING ME AN INGOT WAS TOO ***EASY***, WAS IT?

BAH! I'LL MANAGE ALL THE SAME!

QUICK! ONE HAS ONLY MINUTES LEFT!

AS IF I DON'T KNOW! LYLA, PASS ME THE ***LIQUEFIED*** TEMPRONIUM!

HERE!

AVENGER, PREPARE SUPER-ELECTRON'S HELMET, PLEASE!

TAXI

I WORK FOR OO-CHANNEL.COM. I FORGOT MY PURSE IN THE OFFICE!

EHEM... WE'RE WITH HER!

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ONE?

DING

AVENGER?

YOU HAVEN'T GIVEN IN TO THE VIRUS, HAVE YOU?

NO, BUT IN SIX MINUTES IT WILL REACH MY ***MEMORY CORE***...

READY FOR WHAT?

YOU SEE, PARTNER... SINCE I'M ***FOND*** OF YOUR PERSONALITY...

CLIK

... AND MY PERSONALITY WILL BE ERASED!

... I'VE DECIDED TO TRANSFER IT TO A SECURE PLACE, SO YOU'LL HAVE TIME TO ERADICATE THE PARASITE!

WE'RE READY, HERO!

BUT THAT'S ***IMPOSSIBLE!*** NO TERRESTRIAL MASS STORAGE CAN CONTAIN MY MEMORY CORE!

WE HAVE IN FACT USED KHEREMITAN STABLE DENSILICATES, THE ONLY MATERIAL ABLE TO STORE A NEARLY INFINITE QUANTITY OF INFORMATION!

SCREW-DRIVER!

THREE MINUTES!

WE'VE ASSEMBLED THEM IN AN ***EXPERIMENTAL METALLOID*** CALLED TEMPRONIUM. IT CAN BEAR THE ***ENORMOUS*** ELECTRIC CHARGES NECESSARY FOR IT TO FUNCTION...

PUF PANT

EVEN IF YOU MANAGE TO REGULATE THE FLOW OF ELECTRICITY, IT IS ***AGAINST*** THE RULES OF THE GUARDIANS! IF THE DOWNLOAD FAILS, I WILL DISAPPEAR FOREVER!

YOU'RE SAYING I TRUST LYO MORE THAN YOU TRUST ***ME!***

I CAN'T ALLOW YOU TO MANIPULATE THE STRUCTURES OF THE GUARDIANS! I WILL HAVE TO ***DEACTIVATE MYSELF*** TO PREVENT IT!

WE ONLY HAVE ***FORTY*** SECONDS, AVENGER!

GO AHEAD AND STOP ME, IF YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO DISTINGUISH A THREAT FROM A ***FRIEND!***

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DOWNLOAD COMPLETED

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PLING

NEUROIMITATIVE MATRIX RESET PROCEDURE ABORTED!

DID WE DO IT? IS ONE ALRIGHT?

PARTNER...

YOU MEAN THAT...

THAT I'LL HAVE TO FIND AN ADEQUATE WAY TO THANK YOU, ***FRIEND!***

NOW I CAN ACCESS THE COMPUTER SYSTEM WITHOUT BEING PART OF IT, SO THE VIRUS CAN'T CONTAMINATE ME!

I MYSELF PREFER ***GOOD OLD PAPERWORK!*** THE WORST THING YOU'LL FIND IS A LITTLE MOLD!

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